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SUBJ: AUSTRALIAN IMPORT RESTRICTIONS: REQUEST FOR TEMPOR-
ARY PROTECTION AGAINST IMPORTS OF SPECTACLE FRAMES
AND SUNGLASSES

REF: A. 76 CANBERRA 0367, B. 75 CANBERRA 1917

1. DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRY AND COMMERCE (DIC) HAS INVITED
SUBMISSIONS ON THE QUESTION OF TEMPORARY PROTECTION AGAINST
IMPORTS OF SPECTACLE AND SUNGLASS FRAMES FALLING WITHIN
AUSTRALIAN TARIFF ITEM 90.03.100 AND SUNGLASSES FALLING
WITHIN TARIFF ITEM 90.04.100. SUBMISSIONS ARE REQUIRED BY
DIC NO LATER THAN JULY 4, 1977.

2. INSIGNIFICANT U.S. INTEREST.

3. THIS INDUSTRY WAS THE SUBJECT OF A REFERENCE TO TEMPORARY
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ASSISTANCE AUTHORITY (TAA) IN 1975 AND QUOTA RESTRICTIONS
WERE SUBSEQUENTLY APPLIED PENDING RECEIPT OF AN INDUSTRIES
ASSISTANCE COMMISSION REPORT ON LONG-TERM NEEDS OF THE
INDUSTRY. GOA ACCEPTED IAC RECOMMENDATIONS AND EFFECTIVE
JUNE 1, 1976 OPHTHALMIC AND SUNGLASS FRAMES AND SUNGLASSES
CARRIED A GENERAL RATE OF DUTY OF 35 PERCENT AD VALOREM.
AFTER EIGHTEEN MONTHS THIS RATE WAS TO BE PHASED DOWN TO

30 PERCENT AD VALOREM, AND A FURTHER EIGHTEEN MONTHS LATER
DOWN TO 25 PERCENT AD VALOREM. WHEN ANNOUNCING THESE
MEASURES GOA STATED THAT IT CONSIDERED THE LOCAL INSUTRY TO
BE EFFICIENT AND WORTHY OF PROTECTION AND THAT IT WOULD WATCH
THE SITUATION CLOSELY TO ENSURE THE INDUSTRY WAS NOT SUFFER-
ING DURING THE PHASING DOWN PERIOD. MOST RECENT ACTION BY DIC
APPARENTLY STEMS FROM REPRESENTATIONS FROM INDUSTRY, RATHER
THAN AS A RESULT OF GOA MONITORING OF SITUATION.
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